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Elderly Elba man dies in Friday afternoon blaze

A 70-year-old Elba man died from smoke inhalation Friday afternoon, January 6, when a fire swept through his brick home located on Taylor Mill Road.

Robert Timothy Gray, age 70, was trapped in his home Friday by

a fire that was believed to have started in the den area of the residence. Firefighters were informed by neighbors that the man was in the burning home and his body was discovered in a back bedroom after firemen broke through a window and searched the smoke-filled home.

Witnesses at the scene reported hearing the elderly man screaming for help as the fire spread, but all efforts to save the man were prevented by the blaze.



ELBA FIREMEN WORK TO EXTINGUISH BLAZE...Members of the Elba Fire Department are pictured above pouring water into the bedroom in which Robert Gray, age 70, was believed to be during a fire last Friday afternoon. The elderly Elba resident was found in the room dead after firemen were able to enter the room through a window and search the smoke-filled home.

County Commission approves design and financing plan for new \$1 million health office in Enterprise

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, January 9, at the courthouse in Elba and gave its approval to preliminary plans for a new health office to be constructed in Enterprise, as well as choosing a financial institution to handle the sale of bonds to cover the \$1 million cost.

Don Bowden, the architect for the project, told commissioners that the current design for the building would cost an estimated \$56 per square foot and would include 16,000 square feet of headed space.

Bowden reported that he had met with health department officials and the commissioners at the meeting was the result of a cutback in wasted space and the elimination of some planned office spaces.

The new building will include a centralized lobby and waiting area, with two wings to house nurses and other administrative offices.

A representative of a Montgomery financial and investment company was also present at the meeting and told the commission that it would cost the county approximately \$97,000 per year for 20 years to finance \$1 million in bonds.

Commissioner Billy Eagerton stated that the building would be a 50% reduction of the 16 sales tax would amount to only \$80-85,000 annually, but then refigured the monthly checks already received and agreed that the tax would generate enough to make the annual payment of \$97,000.

The commission then voted unanimously to approve the plans designed by the architect and to employ the firm of Thornton, Farris

& Gaunt to handle the sale of the bonds.

Commissioner Robert Stephens told the commissioners that the county would add to the amount of the bonds to be sold and to use the extra money for renovations at the jail, with the funds used to make the payments coming from the share of the sales tax earmarked for the jail.

The commissioners voted that the share of the tax could be used to make the payments on a bond, but took no action at the meeting.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission:

***approved the low from Heath Oil on gasoline and diesel fuel for the county's vehicles;

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***was informed that Probate Judge Marion Brunson would be sworn in at Thursday, January 14, at the Elba courthouse;

***approved a water system map concerning the application for federal grants;

***heard Betty Williams complain about problems she and members of her family encountered with Revenue Commissioner Ronnie Burns while trying to pay property taxes in the county;

***was reminded that the farm center needed additional tables and chairs for use by large groups;

***received fuel consumption reports;

***told county engineer Mark Pool not to survey the Palmer Road to the county line because the county line because the county was not involved in a lawsuit involving the exact location of the county line;

***was instructed to conduct a survey at each voting place in the county to determine whether or not

the county engineer should resurvey the road.

Two bids were received on a 1989 police car, equipped with a full police package. Dickie Farris of Cook Chevrolet were the lone bidders on the equipment. Cook submitted the low bid of \$12,419.00 and was named the successful bidder.

Bills totaling \$8,423.35 were presented to the council and approved for payment. They included \$187,38 to replace a heating and cooling unit at the Reserve Center and \$138,90 to the county.

Mayor Fred Moore noted that Elba police officers were the state bid for police cars this year. He said this accounted for the good price received.

Construction is expected to begin this summer and the complete project could take three years to finish.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the board:

***approved minutes of the December 8 and December 27 meetings;

***accepted a letter of retirement, effective at the end of the

Elba council buys police car

ing four traffic accidents and issuing 44 traffic citations, including four DUI tickets.

Patrolman Johnny Senn is presently attending the police academy in Montgomery and Officer Randy White is in Selma in Intoxilizer school. Senn explained that he will give Elba three officers qualified to administer this drunk driving test.

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Council member Eddie Vaughan reported to the council that the clean-up committee was making progress and had plans for cleaning additional city property and was working with the Chamber of Commerce in planning a city-wide cleanup in the early spring of this year.

Appointments and reappointments to the Zoning Board and the Elba Planning and Zoning Board and the Elba Zoning Board were made. The Zoning Board is a complete component of members, as all appointments had expired previously and members had not been reappointed or replaced. They were continuing to serve until replaced as provided in Alabama law.

Appointments and reappointments to the Board of Adjustments were Frances Brunson, Wilson Dyess, Myrna Rhoades, Mac Moore, Ann Tucker, Rev. W. T. Harrell and James R. Bush.

All the appointments were for staggered terms as required in Alabama law.

Police Chief Freddie Hanchey introduced the council members to returning police officer Donnie Byrd. He had previously worked with the police department for about eighteen months. The council voted to rehire Byrd on a permanent basis after being assured he had completed all the necessary schooling to be a qualified patrolman.

Hanchey also reported on the activities of his department during the past two weeks. This included answering 113 complaints, investigating

system, Elba customers will have the option of subscribing to Smart Call features which will include Dial Waiting, Call Forwarding, Custom Calling features are not available in exchanges served by analog switching equipment.

The digital equipment is the most advanced system of its type and will offer the technology to carry us well into the 21st century," said Shiver.

An additional upgrade in service provided through the switching conversion will be Equal Access for other long distance companies if they choose to offer services in the exchange. Equal Access will be implemented July 29 in Elba.

Two Work Release inmates located near Midland City

Two inmates from the Elba Work Release Center were reported to have been located near Midland City.

Jeffrey Wayne Holloway, age 24, and Ludell J. Worley, age 25, were reportedly missing from their jobs and police in Midland City were notified. The pair could be in the Elba County area.

The inmates were spotted in the

City and county students get break

Students in the Elba City Schools and Coffee County School System will get a two-day holiday soon due to teacher work days and the observance of Martin Luther King's birthday.

Elba students will be on vacation Monday, Jan. 16 and Tuesday, Jan. 17, while county students will be out of class Jan. 13 and Jan. 16.

NEWS OF LOCAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS

"Home Fires Burning" To Be Presented Jan. 29 On T.V.

Barnard Hughes, Sada Thompson, and Robert J. Prosky star in a "Hallmark Hall of Fame" presentation to be shown Saturday, January 29, 9:00-11:00 a.m. (ET) on the CBS Television Network.

The drama, through the words of irony and humor are woven liberally, is set in a small southern town during World War II. It focuses on a family and a community poised on the precipice of change. Through dramatic incidents and occasional epiphanies, a quiet power grows among the townspeople as the story unfolds.

Hughes portrays opinionated, cantankerous Dick Tibbets, editor of the town paper and long the conscience of the community. He has always encouraged the townspeople to take hold of life and "shake it for all it's worth." But the War has taken its toll, and the town, the first hints that the world he has known is over, that life is changing. As he struggles to understand the new while cherishing the old, a portrait of a man and of a town of that era in America emerges.

Shaken by events, Jake tries to find a new way to get along with the people in his life; his wife, Sada Thompson, who, having patiently tried to adjust to his moods for many years of married life, has given up on him. His son, his stepson, his best friend, Robert Benefield (Robert J. Prosky), whose loyalty he severely tests; his estranged son, Henry (Bill Pullman) who, after having been missing in action then declared dead, has returned and of the working wounded from the battle of Normandy; his grandson, Lonnie (Neil Patrick Harris), and daughter-in-law, Francine (Elizabeth Berridge) whom he at first doesn't want to acknowledge.

Maria Rees is executive producer. Glenn Jordan is producer-director.

and Anne Hopkins is associate producer of the drama which was written by Robert Inman based on his novel of the same title. It is a production of Marlowe Rees Associates, Inc.

Barnard Hughes, Pop Cavaughs in "The Cavaughs," on the Network, won Tony, Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Awards in 1978 for his Broadway performances in the title role in "Da," which he later reprised in the film version of the play.

Films in which he has appeared include "Midnight Cowboy," "The Hospital," "Where's Poppa?" "Oh God!" "First Monday in October," "The Cavaughs," "Man" and "Lost Boys."

In 1980, he received an Emmy Award for a guest-starring appearance in an episode of "Lou Grant" on the Network.

Sada Thompson, who won Tony, Drama Desk and Sarah Sidner, who won an Emmy Award for her performance as two different women in "Twigs" in 1971, has a rich Broadway and regional theater background that ranges from Shakespeare, Chekhov and Molier to the off-beat, Off Broadway hit "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds," which won her an Obie and another Drama Desk Award.

For her portrayal of Kate Lawrence in the television series "Family," she received an Emmy in 1978. Her accidental television credit includes "Car and Sandburg's Lincoln," "Our Town," "The Entertainer," "Marco Polo" and "Princess Day."

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President's And Dean's List Students Announced At Troy



Bob Ingram To Be Guest Speaker At Elba Chamber Of Commerce Membership Banquet

Mr. Bob Ingram is to be the featured speaker for the Elba Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership Banquet to be held on January 29, at 6:30 p.m. at the Elementary School Cafeteria.

Tickets are \$15.00 and may be purchased from any Chamber Officer, Director or City Hall. Call 897-3125, Gene Kennett, Executive Director for more information.

Mr. Ingram is a native of Elba, Alabama and attended public schools.

He is married to the former Edith Ragan, Centre, AL, and has three children, and four grandchildren.

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Wilson's Host Christmas Party

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Wilson hosted a Christmas party in their home on Christmas night.

Those enjoying the festive evening of food and fellowship included the Wilson's children, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, Micah and Kara, Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lambert and Jon Michael, Dothan, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wilson, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKnight, Natalie and Nicole,

Seniors Of Cordelia Street Meet

By: Wanda Sasser

It was a cold winter day when the Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street met for their weekly meeting on January 5 at the HRDC Building on Simmon's Street. This was our first meeting of the year.

Neighborhoods to Elba and Coffee County are invited to come and join us on Thursday's, and become part of our club.

Some of the members played dominoes and others walked to town. Of course, news was exchanged on the holidays and various happenings.

A delicious lunch was served to the following:

Minnie Davis, Zadie Bouyer, Texie Farris, Helen McCahan, Alene English, Mattie Lee Goodwin, Frank and Anna Givens, Colough Iris, Donnell, Ann Flowers, Odell Reeves, Will Schmitz, Arthur Blackmon, Roger Blackmon, Lex Blackmon, Mr. and Mrs. Winslow Matthews, Sarah Smith, Frances Shaboo, Myrl Burkett, Joe Goodwin, Marion Brunson, M. Boling and Wanda Sasser.

and Editorial Director for WSFA-TV, Montgomery from 1979 to present. She attends Clarendale Baptist Church, is past president of the Montgomery Rotary Club, a member of the Board of Directors at St. Margaret's Hospital Foundation, a member of the American Heart Association, and The Alabama Baptist.

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Jessica Clark, George is One Year Old

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Grandparents are Myrt and Wallace Smith of Elba; Jeannie and the late Roy George of Dothan.

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Students will be contacted about additional scholarship applications received.

Applications may be obtained from high school counselors or the Financial Aid Office at ESJC.

Call Dr. Richard Snyder at 393-ESJC 1-800-874-3399 for additional information.

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Personal

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Rockledge, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Brown, Bethany and Brooke, Pace, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Wilson, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meherg and Hannah, Tuscaloosa; Mr. and Mrs. H.D. Surveyer, Troy; Mrs. Lucile Rayburn, Brandley.

Troy Kelley Completes Air Force Course

Airman Troy E. Kelley has graduated from the Air Force aircraft maintenance course at Sheppard AFB, Texas.

During the course, students were taught aircraft maintenance fundamentals, repair and service one- and two-engine jet aircraft. Maintenance documentation was also taught to assess aircraft readiness capability.

Graduates of the course earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

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Jack, Stacy, Emily and Natalie Smith from Ft. Worth, Tex., and a friend, Mrs. Pam Malone and daughter, Mallie arrived in Elba on Dec. 10, 1988, for a special Christmas party in the Smith home.

The Smiths' visit was a surprise for Jack's sisters, Linda, Paula Nan, Angelina and Shelia.

Thirty-three attended the gala occasion.

Margaret Smith returned to Ft. Worth with Jack's

Views From....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Editor

My wife and I went to New Orleans over the New Year's holiday to watch the Sugar Bowl. We enjoyed it with a walk of miles up and down the Mississippi River. Our Quarter was an enjoyable trip. The ride down was a little rocky because of a blowout on 110 near Biloxi, but once we got a new tire we cruised on into town and saw the sights. The sights were worth seeing, the ballgame went right down to the wire Tuesday morning. It was a long trip, but it was well worth the loss of sleep!

TIGERS READY TO START NEW YEAR ON COURT

The Elba Tigers were scheduled to open the '89 part of their basketball schedule Friday night, but found no one at home after driving to Midland City to play the Dale County Warriors and were forced to be satisfied with simply taking a ride in a school bus. The Dale County coach didn't have a team scheduled for Friday night, so the Tigers had to wait until Saturday for a game and when the Tigers arrived to play, it was a long trip, but Oh well, at least the players got back a little earlier than expected.

The Tigers will return to action at the Elba gym Friday night against the Opp Bobcats and, for one, am anxious to see if the players will come back strong after the break. Elba posted a lackluster 1-6 record during the '88 portion of the schedule and everyone around the program was disappointed with the start, but the players have now had time to regroup and hopefully will come back during the second half of the season and win some games. Only time will tell!

AREA SCHOOLS PUT ON QUITE A SHOW IN SEAC

The annual Southeast Alabama Conference basketball tournament was held last week in Kinston, N.C., where first round games were all blowouts to see. Here is a recap of how the area teams looked:

***New Brockton easily whipped Highland Home before falling to Brantley in the semifinals and the Gamecocks were most impressive in two outtings. The first win was so easy it really didn't take much effort; however, in the loss to New Brockton the Gamecocks looked like the Gamecocks of old and it was an exciting win. The Rebels had to rely on Brantley's Bulldog Malcolm Knox had his second outstanding tournament in a row and has taken over as the leader of the team, while the entire team showed a lot of poise and improved leaps and bounds since a slow start. Watch out, the Gamecocks are growing claws!

***Zion Chapel fell to Goshen in the opening round and while the score wasn't close, the Rebels continued to show a real desire to compete and never gave up. The Rebels lack height in their "five guards," according to their coach, and they may just have a winning record, they can win in any time and can never be overlooked.

***Kinston won big over Dozier before falling to Goshen in the semifinals and the Bulldogs are a lot better than I thought! Coach Terry Weeks inherited a young team and has done a very good job of pulling the kids together and turning them into a solid squad. Kinston isn't ready to make a run at any state title, but the Bulldogs are a good team and will win their share.

New Brockton won big in the opener, but then had to struggle again against Goshen. The Rebels took the crown and may not be the unbeatable power than everyone had thought. It is true that Brantley has one of the best teams around and definitely has one of the best players in Wesley Person, but the Bulldogs seem to lack the killer instinct and until they gear up, as well as good, there is always the chance they can be beaten on just about any given night.

IN CLOSING...

Being a NFC fan, I didn't pay much attention to Sunday's game between Buffalo and Cincinnati. I did watch the Chicago-San Francisco game and was pulling for the Bears, so, I was obviously not to thrilled with the outcome. While the Bears couldn't stop Jerry Rice....I did. I just got up and turned channels!

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Anthony Wade Duncan killed this 8-point, 195 pound buck while hunting on December 23, 1988, near Elba.

SPORTS

County Junior High tourney underway in Elba

Elba

JAN. 9 6:30
Enterprise

Kinston

JAN. 14 10:30

New Brockton

JAN. 14 6:00

Dauphin

JAN. 14 9:00

Enterprise

JAN. 14 3:00

Kinston

JAN. 9 7:30

Dauphin

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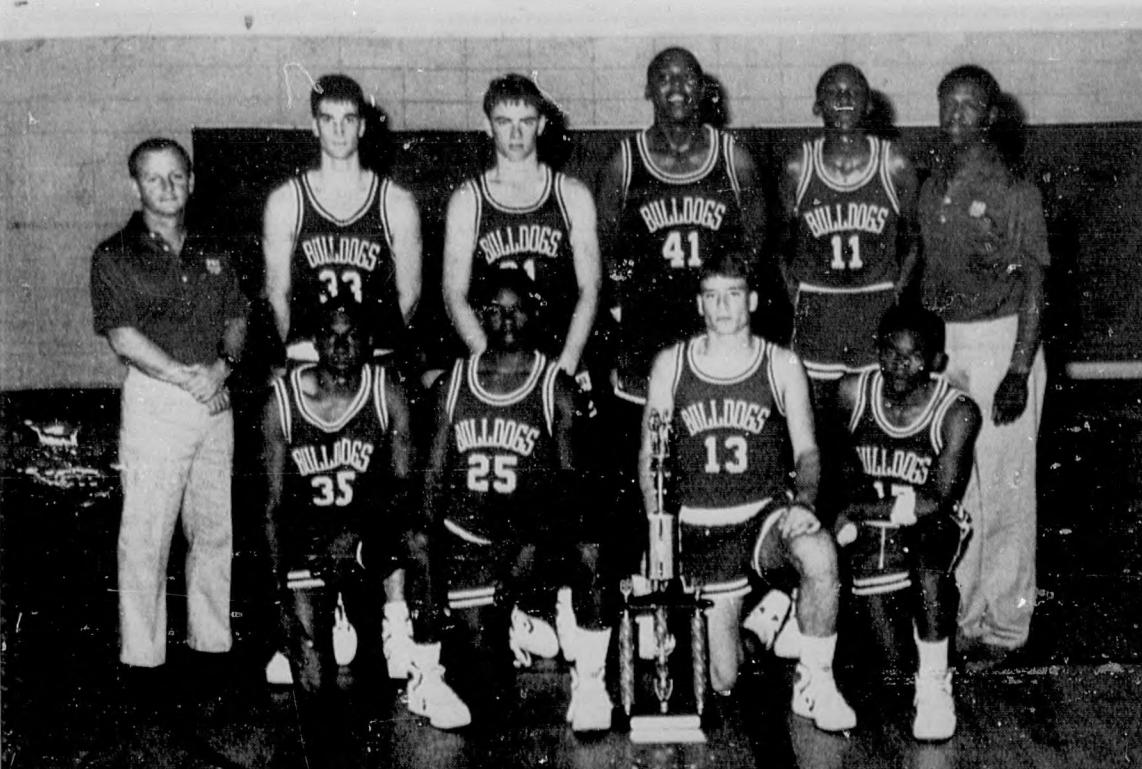
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SEAC CHAMPION BRANTLEY BULLDOGS...Members of the victorious Brantley Bulldog basketball team are (kneeling, l-r) Jeff Driggers - Brantley, Chad Keith - Kinston and Brandy Nobles - Kinston, (standing, l-r) Johnny Davis-Goshen, Erick Williams - Goshen, Wesley Person - Brantley, Aubrey Wiley - Brantley, Malcolm Knox - New Brockton, and Charlie Sankey - Goshen. Not pictured were Tony Newsome - Zion Chapel and Todd Boland - New Brockton.



ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM...Named to the All-Tournament at last week's SEAC tournament were (kneeling, l-r) Jeff Driggers - Brantley, Chad Keith - Kinston and Brandy Nobles - Kinston, (standing, l-r) Johnny Davis-Goshen, Erick Williams - Goshen, Wesley Person - Brantley, Aubrey Wiley - Brantley, Malcolm Knox - New Brockton and Charlie Sankey - Goshen. Not pictured were Tony Newsome - Zion Chapel and Todd Boland - New Brockton.

Brantley Bulldogs claim 2nd straight SEAC basketball tournament crown

The Southeast Alabama Conference basketball tournament was held last week at the Kinston High School gym and claiming the tournament title for the second straight year were the Brantley Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs won the tournament with a 95-85 win over Red Level and then posted overtime wins over New Brockton 78-77 and Goshen 85-75 to take the crown.

Goshen placed second in the eight-team event.

Following are highlights of all games:

OPENING ROUND:

BRANTLEY 88
RED LEVEL 52

Branley led all the way to upset paragon Red Level's 88-52. The Bulldogs were expected to have problems with the vastly improved Tigers; however, Brantley took command early and never looked back in posting the lopsided win.

Chad Carpenter scored 24 points and Jeff Driggers added 19 to lead Brantley, while T.J. Golson and Kenny Weaver scored 11 apiece for Red Level.

NEW BROCKTON 74
HIGHLAND HOME 41

New Brockton had no trouble at all in disposing of Highland Home 74-41. The Bulldogs' defense was sticky defense with a powerful outside game to move ahead in the second stanza and then pulled away to post the win.

Malcolm Knox scored 24 points to lead New Brockton, while Todd Boland and T.J. Golson each scored 16. The Gamecock trio hit 22 of 28 shots from the floor to control the play inside. Tim Bryant scored 13 for Highland Home.

GOSHEN 85
ZION CHAPEL 62

Goshen used a fast-paced attack to outscore Zion Chapel 85-62. The Rebels were hoping to avenge an early season loss to the Eagles, but fell behind and could never catch up as Goshen took advantage of turnovers to catch the Bulldogs at 67-67 with 1:42 still left in the game.

Branley went ahead 70-67 with :56 left and led 72-69 with :08 left on the clock. The lead was never撼ed and the closest Kinston could get was two points the rest of the way as the Eagles held on.

Charlie Sankey scored 18 points and Johnny Davis added 16 for Goshen, while Erik Williams added 11. Brandy Nobles scored 30 points for Kinston and Chad Keith added 12.

A total of 48 fouls were whistled in the game, with five starters foulng out. Goshen hit on 17 of 35 free-throws and Kinston hit on 13 of 24.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND:

BRANTLEY 85
GOSHEN 75

Wesley Person hit the front end of a three-point free throw attempt with :02 left and the lead was 85-75. The Bulldogs then scored six points in the extra period to spark the Brantley Bulldogs to an exciting 85-75 win over the Goshen Eagles, in the final game of the tournament.

Goshen jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead in the opening stanza and the Rebels staged a rally and grabbed the lead at 12-11, staged a rally of its own and moved on top 19-12 by the end of the quarter.

The Bulldogs rallied again to begin the second quarter and behind the play of Jeff Driggers and T.J. Golson, Kinston advanced to the semifinals of the tourney with an impressive 68-49 win over the Dozier Tigers. Kinston took command early against the usually high-scoring Tigers and rolled to the big win.

Chad Keith and Brandy Nobles scored 22 points each to lead Kinston, while Terry Daniels scored 13 for Dozier.

SEMITINALS:

BRANTLEY 78
NEW BROCKTON 77

The two top class 2A basketball teams in the state squared off in the semi-final matchup Thursday night and when the smoke had cleared it was the Brantley Bulldogs who had advanced to the finals with an exciting 78-77 overtime win over the New Brockton Gamecocks.

New Brockton jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead in the opening stanza behind the play of sophomore Chris Lasseter and at the midway point of the quarter was still on 14-9. Brantley rallied behind the shooting of Jeff Driggers to catch fire and closed at 32-33. The Gamecocks hit 22 of 33 shots from the floor and went ahead 18-16 on a basket by Aubrey Wiley, only to see New Brockton battle back and grab a 23-18 lead at the end of the stanza on a long three-pointer by Malcolm Knox.

The Gamecocks appeared ready to take charge in the opening minutes of the second quarter and when Malcolm Knox hit three straight jumpers, New Brockton was ahead 42-21 with 4:57 left in the half.

New Brockton refused to fold; however, and when Terry Daniels nailed two three-point shots the Eagles were back in front 72-71 with only :08 left on the clock.

Brantley hurried down court following the last basket and got a break when a Goshen player accidentally stepped on the baseline past midcourt. Person went to the line with :02 left and hit the first of his shots to pull even at 72-72, but missed the second and the Bulldogs were called for a foul following the miss, sending Goshen's Ron Allo-

way to the line for 1 and 1 with just one tick left on the clock. Brantley called three straight time-outs in an effort to "ice" the shooter and the strategy worked as Alloway missed the free throw and the game went into overtime.

Wesley Person hit two quick jumpers to give Brantley a 76-72 lead in overtime and Brantley easily took charge to claim the hard fought win.

Wesley Person scored 38 points

to lead Brantley, while Aubrey Wiley added 18 and Chad Carpenter scored 19 points to lead Goshen, while Johnny Davis added 13.

Person named "MVP"

Brantley's Wesley Person scored a total of 72 points in the closing two nights of last week's Southeast Alabama Conference basketball tournament to claim "Most Valuable Player" honors in the eight-team event.

Person, a junior, was joined on the All-Tournament squad by teammates Aubrey Wiley and Jeff Driggers. Others on the honored squad, chosen by the coaches, included New Brockton's Malcolm Knox and Todd Boland; Kinston's Brandy Nobles and Chad Keith; Goshen's Erik Williams and Johnny Davis and Zion Chapel's Tony Newsome.

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The American Red Cross, Coffee County Chapter, is taking applications for Project SHARE, the energy assistance program for the elderly and the handicapped with low incomes.

Beginning January 9, 1989 applications will be accepted at the Red Cross office located on 711 West Crawford St. Please call 347-2401.

An administrator for Project SHARE, the Red Cross will interview applicants seeking financial assistance in paying their heating bill. For those who qualify, payments will be made directly to the energy provider or to the head of the household or the disabled individual must meet the following eligibility and income guidelines to qualify for assistance.

***Sixty-two years of age or older, or

**Disabled or handicapped receiving disability income, or

**Divorced, separated, or separated with children;

**Disabled individual receiving Supplemental Security Income (even a child) and the head of the household is off work to care for that person.

Project SHARE (Service to Help Alabamians with Energy) was established in 1982 by Alabama Power Company and joined by Alabama Gas Corporation in 1984.

The City of Elba, Central Alabama Electric Cooperative, Prattville Electric, Troy Electric of Tarrant, and Marengo Electric also participate in the program.

The annual Layman's program at Rocky Mount M.B. Church was held Jan. 8, at 11:30 a.m.

Devotional was by Rev. Kelley Davis and Wm. Wallace welcome, welcome - Grover Belcher; solo - Murray Barnes; talk - J.L. Williams; sermon - Rev. A.R. Williams.

Visitors for the program were Dea. and Mrs. Shelley Davis (Alzie M.), Elba; Billie Ivery, Dadeville; Essie Phillips, Elba, and Cynthia Starks, Brundidge.

***Senior choir anniversary at Elba Zion Baptist Church will be held Jan. 15 at 2:30. Rev. J.L. Grayer is pastor. Alzie Davis is president of the group.

***Deacon/Deaconess Day at Pea River Baptist Church, New Brockton, Rev. H. Shy, pastor, will be held Jan. 15 at 2 p.m. Rev. L.B. Jones, pastor of Antioch Baptist Church, Hartford, will be guest minister.

***The adjourned session of the Mulberry Association will be held Jan. 14 at the District Educational Building, Hwy. 166, Elba at 10 a.m. All pastors and delegates are asked to be present.

Sister Mary Ignatius, president of the Women's Convention of Mulberry District, asks all ladies to be present to prepare the women's department convention program.

L.E. Burnett is corresponding secretary; Rev. J.G. Chatmon, moderator.

***Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Program will be held Sunday, Jan. 15 at 6 p.m. at the Mulberry Educational Building, Hwy. 166 in Elba, for Dr. J.G. Chatmon moderator.

Tribute to Dr. King - Winell Grayne, Rev. Mrs. Eddie McRae; selection, Rev. Bass; devotional - J.L. Williams and Charles Henderson; welcome - Mrs. Ollie Henderson; sermon - Rev. Eddie McRae; Mrs. Fletcher McDowell of Claxton St., Elba, caught 12 blue gillines at the Elba County Lake Sunday. Grandfather, F.M. McDowell says he has been consistent in the two years she has been fishing.

***Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Young and Mr. Sam Young of Lubbock, Texas, spent several days in Asheville, N.C. with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Young.

***Mr. and Mrs. Bill McDonald have returned to Columbus after coming to Elba for their young son Tommy who had been visiting with Mrs. Rhodes and Miss Totsye Rhodes.

THIRTY YEARS AGO JANUARY 8, 1959

***A \$1,000,000 expansion is underway at the Elba plant of Klemert's Corp. Work began last week on the distribution center that will serve the Elba and Eastley, S.C. plants of the company.

***A letter to the Editor, a long list of names was submitted as being in favor of a shopping center in Elba.

***The marriage of Miss Jane Deapre Avery and Mr. John Frederick Moody was solemnized on Sunday, Dec. 15, 1988 at the Westside Baptist Church of Elba.

***Mary Pamela Galimore and Ronnie Lee Parrish will exchange vows Saturday, Jan. 13, at the Westside Baptist Church.

***Vernon Culver, 1974 graduate of Elba High School, is featured student in the Welding Dept. at MacArthur State Technical College.

TWENTY YEARS AGO JANUARY 9, 1969

***Charles R. Hudson, pioneer resident of the Hudson's Mill Community, died at his home on Jan. 10, following an illness of two weeks.

***Miss Jane Windham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David and Louise Wilson, who chose D.A.R. wood from Elba High School.

***Enjoying Christmas Eve dinner with Mr. and Mrs. James C. Faris Jr. and family were Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Ham and Steve of Birmingham; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby James of Auburn; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holtzman and children and Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Holtzman and family of Michigan.

***Marion C. DeVane, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion A. DeVane, Elba, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Signal Corps upon completion of the Reserve Officers Training Corps program at Auburn University Dec. 12.

FOURTY YEARS AGO JANUARY 13, 1949

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***Those discharged include the following:

Robert Donaldson, Vera Bryan, Pamis Hussey, Charlie Lawson, Grover E. Kelley, Thomas M. Coleman, Joyce Ellen Johnson, William R. Bolling, Lois Smith.

Elba Hospital Report

Persons admitted to Elba General Hospital included patients of January 3 through 9, including:

Mary Agnes Mack, Grover B. Kelley, William R. Bolling, Joyce Ellen Johnson, Jan. B. Hodges, Thomas M. Cole, Jason Walden, Mamie Henderson, Flossie Legear, Escanada, Mike Bryan, Aaron Lamar Daniels.

The dance will begin at 7 p.m. and close at 11 p.m.

Admission will be \$3.00 single and \$2.00 couples. All students in grades 9-12 are invited to attend.

This will be a chaperoned event, and band boosters encourage all students to attend.

Note: No hard bottom shoes will be allowed on the gym floor. Suggested attire - jeans and sneakers.

FOR SALE: The Elba High School Band Boosters are sponsoring a school dance "sock hop" to be held Saturday, Jan. 21, in the high school gym.

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BEGINNING JANUARY 9, 1989 APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE RED CROSS OFFICE LOCATED ON 711 WEST CRAWFORD ST. PLEASE CALL 347-2401.

AN ADMINISTRATOR FOR PROJECT SHARE, THE RED CROSS WILL INTERVIEW APPLICANTS SEEKING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN PAYING THEIR HEATING BILL. FOR THOSE WHO QUALIFY, PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE DIRECTLY TO THE ENERGY PROVIDER OR TO THE HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD OR THE DISABLED INDIVIDUAL MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBILITY AND INCOME GUIDELINES TO QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE.

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PROJECT SHARE (SERVICE TO HELP ALABAMIAN WITH ENERGY) WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1982 BY ALABAMA POWER COMPANY AND JOINED BY ALABAMA GAS CORPORATION IN 1984.

THE CITY OF ELBA, CENTRAL ALABAMA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, PRATVILLE ELECTRIC, TROY ELECTRIC OF TARRANT, AND MARENGO ELECTRIC ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

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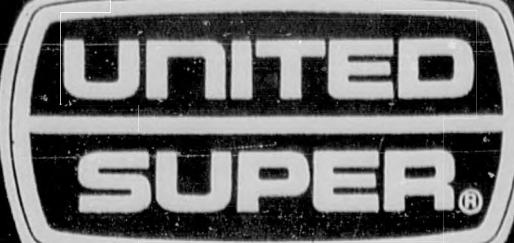
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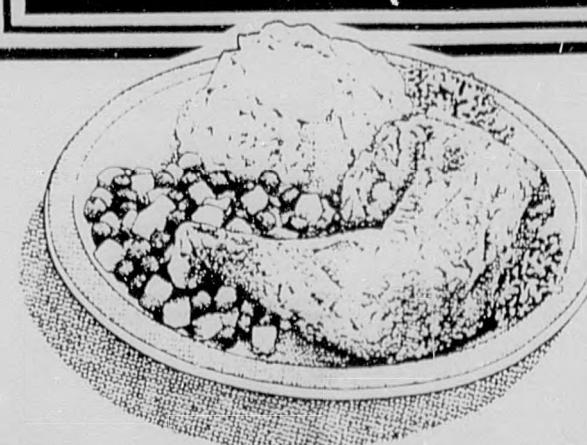


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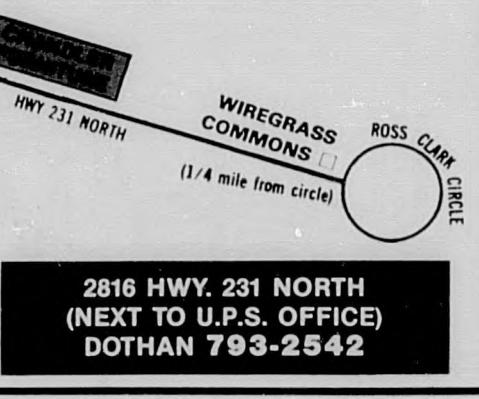
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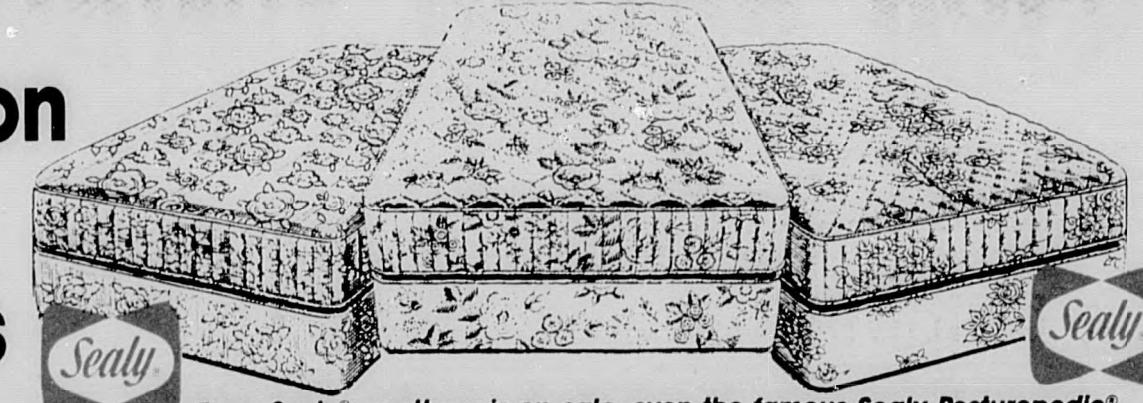
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Ellis has filed a suit against the county Board of Registrars challenging the removal of his name from the official voters' list in Coffee County and according to Rowe, when the location of the county line is determined, it will make it easier for Ellis to live in Coffee County or Georgia.

The commission was split on the request, but voted 4-3 (Eagerton, Stephens and Averett voting no) to pay the cost of the survey.

Rowe told the commission that it was not known whether or not it was buried at the time an inmate contends he was beaten at the county jail.

A former inmate placed in the jail by Elba police recently filed a \$1 million suit against the county and City of Elba alleging he was beaten while being housed in the jail.

The beating allegedly took place in December, 1986, and Rowe explained that it isn't just when the county's insurance expired.

"As long as the county continues to house its own prisoners from the cities and places them in the county jail the commission is leaving itself wide open to such lawsuits," declared Rowe. "The cities need to take care of their own prisoners and the county needs to stop housing prisoners from the cities."

Comm. Sid Averett stated: "Today is as good a time as any to inform the City of Elba to take immediate steps toward the construction of a jail in which to house its prisoners. We need to give the city time to do something and then stop allowing them to place their prisoners in the county jail."

Comm. Robert Stephens reported the county had a fund earmarked for jail renovation and that the fund was enough money to pay the cost of constructing a new jail with an estimated construction cost of \$400,000.

"We could build a new jail for the county using county forces under the guidance of the maintenance crew and stay within our budget," said Stephens, "and could then sell the old jail to the city."

The commission agreed to study the needs concerning the jail and address the issue at next week's regular meeting.

In other action at Monday's meeting, Moore asked the commission for permission to exempt an out of court settlement with former county deputy sheriff Denner Hobbs.

Hobbs stated that Hobbs had filed a \$25,000 lawsuit seeking back pay for his wife's work while serving as deputy and that a possible settlement could be reached.

The commission told Hobbs to meet with Hobbs and then report back on any possible settlement.

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JUDGES AND CLERK TAKE OATH OF OFFICE...District Judge Tom Head, Circuit Judge Terry Butts and Circuit Clerk Jim Ellis were sworn-in last week during ceremonies at the Coffee County Courthouse in Elba. Judge Butts and Ellis took the oath for their third terms in office, while Head was taking the oath after being elected for his first term. Pictured above are (l-r) Judge Tom Head and wife Chris, Clerk Jim Ellis and wife Becky.

Discusses pending lawsuits

Commission picks Eagerton chairman



COMMISSIONERS TAKE OATH... The Coffee County Commission was sworn-in on Monday, January 16 by Probate Judge Marion Brunson. Pictured along with their wives are (l-r) Eugene Bradley, Sid Averett, Bill Paulk, Robert Stephens, Damascus Crittenden, Billy Eagerton and Jim Dubose.

Mayor Moore named superintendent of city utility department at recent meeting

Mayor Fred Moore was named superintendent of the Water and Electric Board yesterday, January 16, at a motion by Board member Jack Prescott. The motion was approved unanimously. Moore stepped down as Chairman of the utility to assume the position.

The city council will appoint another council member to serve as Chairman of the utility and the board itself will then name a chairman.

There has been some speculation on just who will get the nod for chairman, but until a full board is named, any talk is purely speculation.

Moore told board members that he felt it was necessary to take the position in order to have adequate control over all facets of city business.

Moore noted he made statements during his campaign for the office and the accompanying position and taking office and becoming more aware of the demands of the mayor's office that he can serve the people better with the added authority that accompanies the title.

Moore told The Elba Clipper on a motion of this week that he would not be accepting the \$600 pay. "I told the people I wouldn't do it and I am not going back on my word," he said in his office Tuesday morning.

Moore told board members that he and Supervisor Crittenden had checked out a used pole truck as instructed by the board. He said they were using the vehicle on a rental basis until bids could be obtained and a purchase made. It is satisfactory, Moore stated. He said the \$50 weekly rental would be applied to the purchase of the vehicle if it was the one selected from the bids received.

The board also approved soliciting bids for utility poles needed soon. Moore said a special meeting would probably be called to open the bids and approve their purchase.

Bills totaling \$348,296 were approved for payment. This is the lowest monthly total since at least

1974, according to Jack Prescott who has served as a board member, councilman and city clerk during this time.

Moore and City Clerk Pat Booth were both highly complimentary of the women who handle the utility bill payments. They noted the accounts had balanced to the exact penny for the last three months.

A review of the accounts receivable shows there were 57 accounts late or already pulled. The monies on these utility bills ranged from \$3.90 to \$204.89 and totaled \$4987.92.

Four bad checks are on file totaling \$291.16 and were turned over to the courts for collection.

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School Board urges completion of revised student handbook

The Elba City Board of Education met on Tuesday night, January 10, 1989 and discussed the need to finish the new student handbook which is being compiled by a committee of teachers at the Elba High School.

Committee chairperson Jean Helms told the board that the composition of the committee included herself, Rick Rainey, Frances Prior in charge of the materials and new handbook, her examining the book now given to the students, as well as handbooks from other schools.

Mrs. Helms reported the committee's request to allow students from two English classes to attend a performance of "Romeo and Juliet" at the Alabama Shakespeare Festival;

***was told final payment had been withheld for carpet at the mid-day elementary school due to unsatisfactory work.

***learned that the recent audit of the board of education had been completed and was accurate;

***was told of a delay in the delivery of a new handicapped bus; ***granted permission to Mayor Fred Moore to have the old block building at the Mulberry School torn down and the school grounds cleaned up;

***and, set February 7 at 5:30 as the date and time for the next meeting.

GTE files for rate increase locally

GTE South has filed a request with the Alabama Public Service Commission (PSC) to restructure and increase local telephone rates, which if approved, will generate additional annual revenues of \$8.4 million.

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"We need concrete policies for the student handbook," said Helms, "and need the policies spelled out clearly for all concerned. After the book is completed and given final approval it must be followed to the letter."

The committee members agreed to continue working on the handbook and stated they hoped to have a draft of the book ready within two weeks.

In other action at Tuesday's meeting, the board:

***approved the minutes of the previous meeting;

***approved the financial state-

ment for the year;

***heared high school principal Mickey McCollough report that an application for accreditation was filed and the board was on hold until the completion of the school's 10 year accreditation study, but said the program had been used and would be used again in-service days with the teachers;

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